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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 2, 1871.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**AN ACT**

Amendatory of an act entitled "An act for the removal of causes  
in certain cases from State courts."

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3        That an act entitled "An act for the removal of causes in cer-  
4        tain cases from State courts," passed July twenty-seventh, eight-  
5        een hundred and sixty-six, and an act amendatory thereto,  
6        passed March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, be,  
7        and the same shall be, so construed that railroad corporations  
8        operating railroads, and having offices and doing business  
9        within any State, shall not be considered alien citizens, or  
10       citizens of another State, within the meaning of said acts;  
11       and for the purpose of determining the jurisdiction of the  
12       State courts, the amount in dispute, under the provisions of  
13       said acts, shall be determined by the amount claimed in the  
14       plaintiff's petition or complaint; nor shall said acts apply to  
15       cases when the cause of action accrued prior to the twelfth

16 day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-one: *Provi-*  
 17 *ded*, That cases already transferred from any State court to  
 18 any court of the United States, under the provisions of said  
 19 acts, shall not be affected by the passage of this act.

Passed the House of Representatives February 1, 1871.

Attest:                      EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk.*

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